GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO BSNL
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has recently cleared the financial support worth Rs. 2700 crore for the BSNL; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) & (b) Government has approved reimbursement of Rs.1408.9 crore to Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) which is 2/3rd of Licence Fee (excluding USO levy) and Spectrum Charges payable by BSNL in the year 2004-2005 and reimbursement of backlog of Rs.591.02 crore on account of shortfall in reimbursement of Licence Fee and Spectrum Charges paid by BSNL for the years 2001-2002 to 2003-2004. In addition to the above, the Government shall reimburse last and final instalment during next financial year, one third of Licence Fee (excluding USO levy) and Spectrum Charges payable by BSNL in the year 2005-06.